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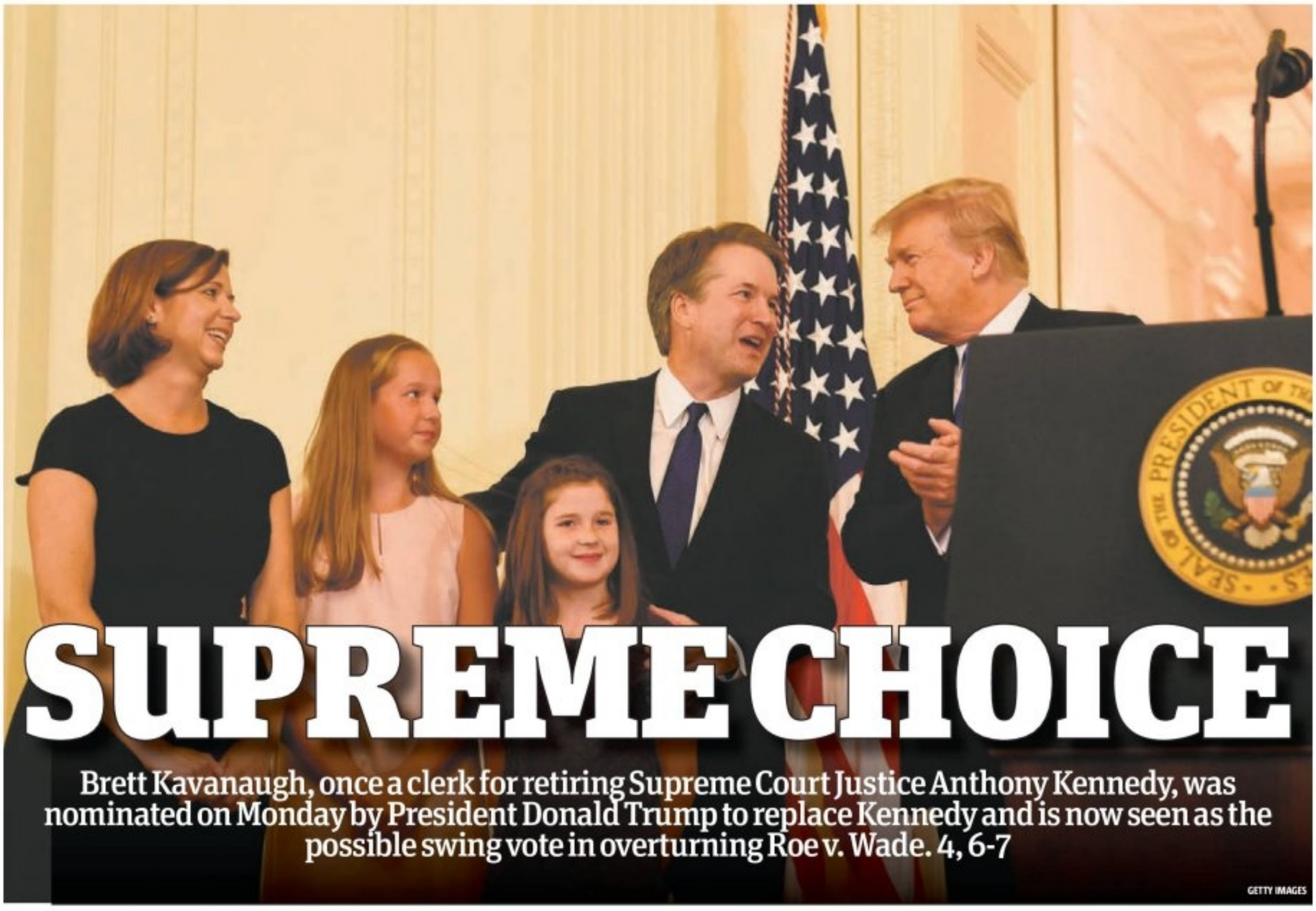

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CROATIA SACKS VUKOJEVIC OVER UKRAINE MESSAGE

1 Croatia's Football Federation (HNS) sacked Ognjen Vukojevic, a member of the national team's coaching staff, over a "glory to Ukraine" video posted after Croatia beat Russia in the World Cup quarter-finals, HNS said in a statement on Monday. Vukojevic and Croatia defender Domagoj Vida published the video on social media after the match on Saturday in a move which was criticized by Russian politicians and led to a warning from FIFA's disciplinary committee. Relations between Ukraine and World Cup hosts Russia remain fraught after the latter's 2014 annexation of the Crimean peninsula and its backing for a pro-Russian uprising in the east of the country. HNS said it had revoked Vukojevic's accreditation at the World Cup and relieved him of his duties as an observer for the Croatia squad. "HNS hereby apologizes to the Russian public for the actions of a member of the Croatian delegation," it said. HNS said Vukojevic and Vida apologized for their statements, saying they were not intended to be political messages but "unfortunately left room for such interpretations."

TRUMP'S LONGTIME DRIVER SUES FOR BACK WAGES

2 A New York man who said he was Donald Trump's personal driver for more than 20 years sued the president's company on Monday, claiming he was not paid for thousands of hours of overtime. Noel Cintron, 59, said the Trump Organization has not paid him for 3,300 hours of overtime in the last six years or given him a "meaningful" raise for 12 years. The Trump Organization said Cintron was paid fairly. Cintron is seeking damages that his lawyer said could reach $400,000, including punitive damages and sums for federal and state labor law violations. The unpaid overtime alone totaled more than $178,000, at $54.09 per hour, and could have been higher but for a statute of limitations, the complaint said. "In an utterly callous display of unwarranted privilege and entitlement and without even a minimal sense of noblesse oblige President Donald Trump has, through the defendant entities, exploited and denied significant wages to his own longstanding personal driver," the complaint said. The Trump Organization disagreed. "Mr. Cintron was at all times paid generously and in accordance with the law," a rep said in an email.

CHRISTENING OF PRINCE LOUIS OF CAMBRIDGE AT ST JAMES'S PALACE

3 Prince Louis, the third child of Britain's Prince William and wife Kate, was christened at a small, private ceremony at St James's Palace on Monday. Missing from the ceremony was his great-grandmother, Queen Elizabeth. Louis is the fifth in line to the British throne.

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UBER, ALPHABET INVEST IN BIKE SHARING SERVICE

4 Bike sharing service Lime said on Monday it raised $335 million from a group of investors including ride-sharing firm Uber Technologies Inc and Alphabet Inc. Uber will work with Lime as a strategic partner in the electric scooter space with the companies working to co-brand Lime's scooters and make the service available on the Uber app. The investment round was led by GV, formerly Google Ventures, and the other new investors included IVP, Atomico and Fidelity Management and Research Company, Lime said in a blog post. The latest investment round values California-based Lime at $1.1 billion, Bloomberg reported earlier on Monday. Bird, Lime's rival in the electric scooter space, raised $300 million in June in a round led by Sequoia Capital, giving the company a $2 billion valuation. Lime's existing investors, including Andreessen Horowitz and Singapore's GIC, also participated in the latest funding round. Uber earlier this year agreed to buy electric bicycle service JUMP Bikes and was among the companies applying for a scooter permit in San Francisco in June.

CHRIS SET TO BECOME HURRICANE, BERYL POSES

5 Tropical Storm Chris strengthened in the mid-Atlantic and was expected to become a hurricane on Monday evening or Tuesday, while the former Hurricane Beryl dwindled into a heavy rainstorm threatening to bring flooding to Puerto Rico, forecasters said. Chris, which formed off the North Carolina coast early on Sunday, was packing maximum sustained winds near 70 miles per hour (110 kph) on Monday afternoon, causing swells that will batter the coasts of the Carolinas for the next few days, the National Hurricane Center said. "These swells could cause life-threatening surf and rip current conditions," it said. As of 5 p.m. EDT, the storm was about 215 miles south-southeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina. A tropical storm becomes a hurricane when its top sustained winds reach 74 mph. Chris will begin a northeastern course from late Tuesday off the U.S. Atlantic coast, the center said, adding that projections showed it possibly making landfall in the Canadian province of Nova Scotia late on Wednesday or early on Thursday.

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Trump picks conservative judge Kavanaugh for Supreme Court

The 53-year-old conservative will face a fight for confirmation from Democrats.

President Donald Trump on Monday announced Brett Kavanaugh as his nominee for the U.S. Supreme Court, picking a conservative federal appeals court judge who survived a previous tough Senate confirmation battle and helped investigate Democratic former President Bill Clinton in the 1990s.

In picking the 53-year-old Kavanaugh, Trump aimed to entrench conservative control of the court for years to come with his second lifetime appointment to the nation's highest judicial body in his first 18 months as president.

Kavanaugh now faces what appears to be another fierce fight for confirmation in the Senate, where Trump's fellow Republicans hold a slim majority. If confirmed, Kavanaugh would replace long-serving conservative Justice Anthony Kennedy, who announced his retirement on June 27 at age 81.

The nominee has amassed a solidly conservative judicial record since 2006 on the influential U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, the same court where three current justices including Chief Justice John Roberts previously served. Some conservative activists have questioned whether he would rule sufficiently aggressively as a justice.

Kavanaugh potentially could serve on the high court for decades. Trump's other leading candidates for the post were fellow federal appellate judges Thomas Hardiman, Raymond Kethledge and Amy Coney Barrett.

Kavanaugh served as a senior White House official under Republican former President George W. Bush before Bush nominated him to the appeals court in 2003. But some Democrats accused him of excessive partisanship and it took three years before the Senate eventually voted to confirm him.

Kavanaugh worked for Kenneth Starr, the independent counsel whose investigation of Clinton helped spur an effort by congressional Republicans in 1998 and 1999 to impeach the Democratic president and remove him from office. Kavanaugh in 2009 changed his tune on the Starr probe, arguing that presidents should be free from civil lawsuits, criminal prosecutions and investigations while in office.

Trump defeated Clinton's wife, Hillary Clinton, in the 2016 presidential election and has disparaged both Clintons.

Democrats in the past also have pointed to Kavanaugh's work for Bush during the recount fight in the pivotal state of Florida in the 2000 presidential election, a controversy that was resolved only after the conservative-majority Supreme Court sided with Bush over Democratic candidate Al Gore, settling the election outcome.

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Kavanaugh once served as a Supreme Court clerk under Kennedy.

The appointment will not change the ideological breakdown of a court that already has a 5-4 conservative majority, but nevertheless could move the court to the right. Kennedy sometimes joined the liberal justices on key rulings on divisive social issues like abortion and gay rights, a practice his replacement may not duplicate.

Kennedy, 81, announced on June 27 plans to retire after three decades on the court, effective on July 31.

Republicans hold a slim 51-49 majority in the Senate, though with ailing Sen. John McCain battling cancer in his home state of Arizona they currently can muster only 50 votes. Without Republican defections, however, Senate rules leave Democrats with scant options to block confirmation of Trump's nominee.

A group of Democratic senators from Republican-leaning states — lawmakers who could be pivotal in the confirmation fight — declined Trump's invitation to attend the White House announcement. REUTERS

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TRUMP SUPREME COURT PICK COULD HAVE 'SEISMIC IMPACT'

Analysis

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A new conservative on the U.S. Supreme Court could fundamentally alter the 'rule of law' in the U.S., expert says.

Widespread shock and outright hysteria quickly followed the news that President Trump would within two years get a second U.S. Supreme Court pick. But legal experts say that reaction may actually be justified, as adding another conservative to the court could signal a once-in-a-generation shift in the nation's highest court of law.

"I was extraordinarily depressed when Justice Kennedy announced his retirement. I was a little bit comforted knowing I was not overreacting in my deep malaise," said Stacy Hawkins, a professor at Rutgers Law School in Camden. "It is going to represent a fundamental shift in the court. This is a monumental appointment. The court has not been this conservative in generations. It is going to represent a really significant ideological and political shift, and it's going to have, I think, a

seismic impact on the rule of law."

It's too early to tell whether doomsday scenarios prophesied by some Democrats and liberals of across-the-board rollback of reproductive rights, LGBT rights, affirmative action and other legal issues will come true. While Supreme Court justices tend to respect precedents set by previous courts, such as 1973's Roe v. Wade decision, the new court could seriously curtail some rights without fully overturning them.

"There are so many ways that Roe could be limited and restricted that it becomes an essential nullity," Hawkins said, adding, "There's still lots of undecided legal questions around LGBTQ rights. I think we would certainly see an end to any further progression of the expansion of those rights."

Another change to the court will be the loss of its swing vote. Retiring justice Anthony Kennedy was a Republican but often ruled in favor of liberal causes, most notably authoring the decision that legalized gay marriage in 2015. Hawkins said one "silver lining" in Kennedy's departure is that Chief Justice John Roberts, a Republican who famously broke ranks with his party to cast the deciding vote upholding Obamacare in 2013, may shift toward filling that role.

"As chief justice, he plays a special role in trying to shepherd the court's reputation and legacy through a fraught political time," she said. "He might emerge as the one who takes on the mantle of the centrist justice, and that would be a welcome, welcome change."

But how much does loyalty matter in choosing a Supreme Court pick? Ultimately, Hawkins said she believes Trump's Supreme Court nomination choice probably came down to the candidate's personal loyalty to him.

"Trump values loyalty above all else," she said. "He's going to want a loyalist that is going to rule favorably when his administration is on the docket. Of course, his administration has been on the docket quite a bit and that's going to continue. That's the most important thing, someone who is not only going to be loyal to him personally but to the Republican Party."

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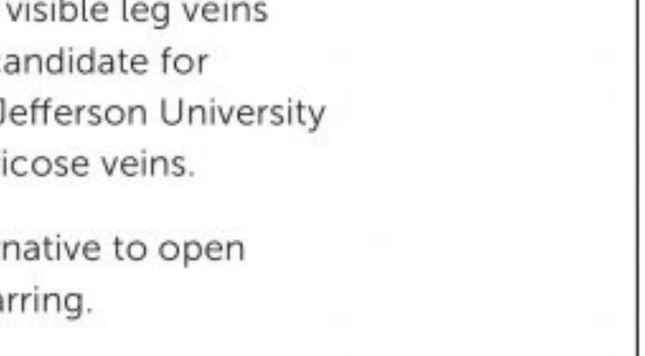

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Eight boys rescued from flooded Thai caves, now up to 'rain god'

Monday's rescue went smoother than Sunday's, but heavy rain is expected.

Eight of the 12 boys trapped with their soccer coach in a labyrinthine flooded cave complex in northern Thailand have been freed, authorities said on Monday, adding that the time for rescuing the others will depend on the weather.

The mission, which started Sunday, is a race against the clock with heavy rain expected this week which would again flood the tunnels with fast-flowing, rising water.

A crack team of foreign divers and Thai Navy SEALS guided four boys on Sunday and a further four on Monday through narrow, submerged channels from the muddy bank deep inside the Tham Luang cave where they had been stranded for more than two weeks.

"All four boys have arrived at hospital, all are safe," Narongsak Osottanakorn, head of the rescue mission, told reporters of those freed on Monday.

Asked whether the remaining four "Wild Boars" team and their coach would come out at the same time in the next rescue effort, he said: "It depends on the plan. ... We have set the plan for four people so if they want to take five out (at the same time), then they need to change the plan."

The operation on Monday went more smoothly than on Sunday and took two hours less as the practice became more refined, he said.

But he added rescuers may need more than 20 hours, to replan and replenish oxygen supplies, to be ready to mount the next mission.

Then it will depend on the weather. Heavy rain has struck the region intermittently over the last three days and further downpours could set back draining efforts at the cave.

"As all of us said, the main thing is we still need more than 20 hours to get ready," Narongsak said. "It is up to the environment. If the rain god helps us, then we may be able to work fast. But if the rain god doesn't help, then it could be challenging."

Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha visited the cave to inspect the operation with navy rescuers giving him a rousing cheer.

"The prime minister said that this kind of event should never happen again on Thai soil," Narongsak said. "We should learn from this experience to prevent it from happening again."

The team became trapped on June 23 when they set out to explore the cave after soccer practice and rains flooded the tunnels, trapping them inside.

British divers found the 13 a week ago.

But the efforts to rescue the boys — aged between 11 and 16 — have proved a monumental challenge. Some are not even strong swimmers, and have had to learn to dive in conditions that claimed the life of a former Thai Navy SEAL on Friday.

Thirteen foreign divers and five members of Thailand's elite navy SEAL unit make up the main team guiding the boys to safety.

Authorities have said the boys are being held close to divers and wear oxygen masks to enable normal breathing.

"The rescue has been immense," said volunteer helper Somjit Saenset, 56. "I'm so happy the children came out safely. I want to send my moral support for all involved" in the rest of the mission.

The president of soccer's governing body, FIFA, has invited the boys to the World Cup final in Moscow on Sunday if they make it out in time.

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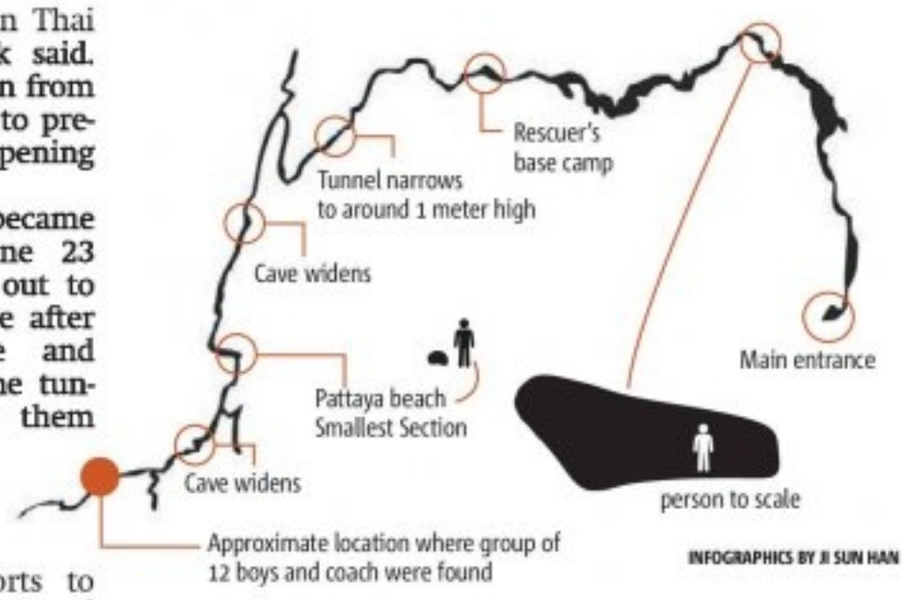
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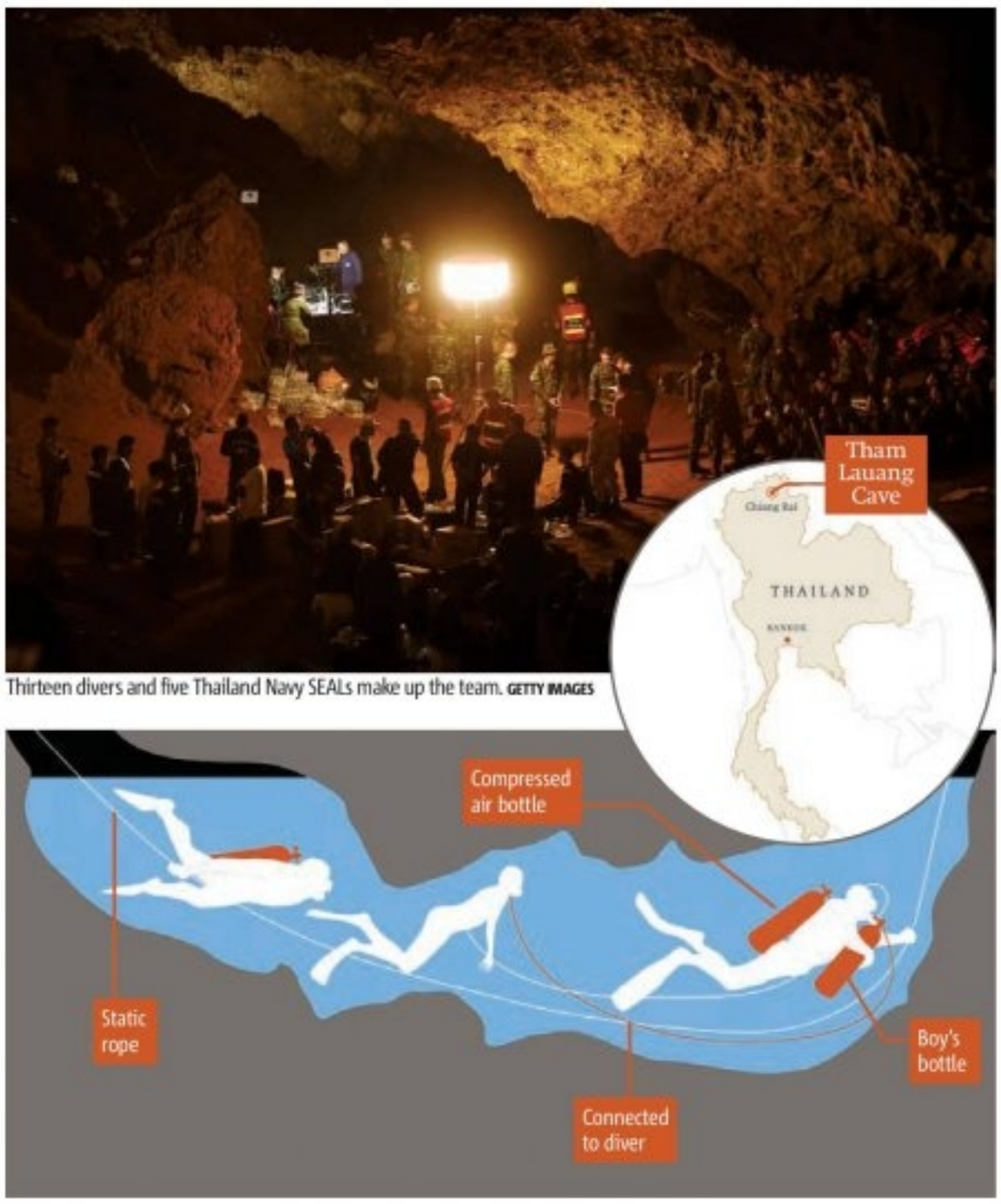

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Weinstein appeared in New York state Supreme Court, where he entered his not guilty plea. GETTY IMAGES

Weinstein pleads not guilty in third sex assault case

The disgraced movie mogul is facing charges for a third criminal sex assault case.

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Disgraced movie mogul Harvey Weinstein pleaded not guilty in court Monday when he was arraigned on charges for a third criminal sex assault case brought against him.

Weinstein is charged with a criminal sexual act in the first degree for a forcible sexual act against a third woman in 2006, according to Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance's office, as well as two counts of predatory sexual assault, a felony which carries a minimum sentence of 10 years and a maximum of life in prison.

These charges are in addition to the charges of rape regarding forcible sexual acts against two women in 2013 and 2004. Weinstein was arrested and charged for those cases in May, when he appeared at a Manhattan NYPD station and was promptly released on $1 million bail.

Weinstein appeared in New York state Supreme Court on Monday, where he entered his not guilty plea and was then released on bail.

"We fight these battles one day at a time, and today we won this round," defense attorney Ben Brafman said outside the court.

With the announcement of the third criminal sex assault case brought against Weinstein, the Manhattan DA said that the 66-year-old movie mogul is charged with "some of the most serious sexual offenses that exist under New York's Penal Law."

"This indictment is the result of the extraordinary courage exhibited by the survivors who have come forward," Vance continued in a statement. "Our investigation continues. If you are a survivor of the predatory abuse with which Mr. Weinstein is charged, there is still time to pursue justice. Please call us at 212-335-9373."

More than 70 women, mostly young actresses and women employed in other areas of the movie business, have accused Weinstein, who co-founded the Miramax film studio, of sexual misconduct, including rape, in a series of incidents dating back decades.

"We fight these battles one day at a time, and today we won this round."
Defense attorney Ben Brafman

The accusations gave rise to the #MeToo movement in which hundreds of women publicly accused powerful men in business, government and entertainment of sexual harassment and abuse, lifting a shroud that had long shielded such behavior.

Prosecutors contend that Weinstein forcibly performed oral sex on the woman who was his 2006 victim. The charges against Weinstein stem from a months-long, ongoing investigation by the NYPD and the Manhattan District Attorney's Office.

Prosecutors have not named the women accusing Weinstein of sexual assault. Details from the 2004 case align with an account by Lucia Evans, a former aspiring actress who told the New Yorker magazine in October 2017 that Weinstein forced her to perform oral sex.

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Body language reveals a lot about Tiffany and Donald Trump's relationship

Tiffany Trump with her dad, President Donald Trump GETTY IMAGES

President Donald Trump's relationship with his younger daughter, Tiffany Trump, has been the subject of much observation, with gossip mags speculating that the pair's historically distant relationship has deteriorated since he became president.

Elite Daily spoke with a body-language expert Blanca Cobb, who looked at photos of the pair from Tiffany's toddlerhood to now, and said that something shifted around Tiffany's college graduation in 2016, and father and daughter began to seem more strained.

"They always had a strained relationship her whole life, and it got exacerbated by the presidency."

According to People magazine

Cobb contrasted photos of Trump and a young Tiffany Trump together, when they seemed much closer at least in photos, with Tiffany Trump's Instagram post from her commencement, in which tension between the two seemed impossible to hide: "Although Trump and Tiffany are all smiles, it's interesting that his arm closest to her is resting by his side instead of wrapped around her back, which is what you typically see when people pose for photos."

Tiffany grew up with her mother, Marla Maples, in California, away from Trump Central in New York. Although she's now attending Georgetown Law School in Washington, D.C., the two sometimes don't speak for "months at a time," People reported in April, when she made a rare joint appearance with her father at an infrastructure event in Ohio. "Since the inauguration, Tiffany and her father have sometimes gone for months without speaking and she went a very long time without seeing him," People reports. "The last time she was at a family function with him, it was awkward for her and she didn't feel totally welcome."

At the Ohio event, Trump introduced his daughters: "Speaking of a job well done, we have two of my daughters here today: Ivanka, who is working hard on infrastructure!" he said. "Ivanka ... and Tiffany!"

And although Tiffany has been publicly supportive of her father's foray into politics, having given a speech at the Republican National Convention, something about the presidency seems to have driven a wedge in their relationship. "They always had a strained relationship her whole life, and it got exacerbated by the presidency," People said. "It's gotten much worse now."

It could be media outlets constantly pointing out the ways in which Trump is subtly and not-so-subtly shading this daughter. On Election Day 2016, he told Fox News he was prouder of Tiffany "to a lesser extent" than his other children. Later, Twitter users pointed out that Trump repeatedly used commas to suggest that Ivanka was his only daughter.

Or it could be Tiffany Trump's own subtle and not-so-subtle statements on social media. During the March for our Lives, she Liked an Instagram story in which a protester held a sign saying that Republicans would be massacred in the midterm elections. Shortly after that, she posted an Instagram story of her own in which she was playing Trumped-Up Cards, a card game that mercilessly mocks her father. MICHAEL MARTIN

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Sex-abuse victim asks state supreme court to release grand jury report

Todd Frey, a survivor of molestation by a member of the clergy, wants the Pennsylvania AG's report to be released.

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A victim of childhood sexual abuse by a Harrisburg-area Catholic priest has joined the legal fight to compel the Pennsylvania supreme court to allow the release the attorney general's new grand jury report documenting sex abuse in the Catholic Church statewide.

Todd Frey, now 49, who says he was victimized by a Harrisburg diocese priest, recently submitted a legal filing asking the supreme court to unseal the AG's report, which was blocked at the last minute due to a filing by unidentified individuals and groups who say the report would defame them.

Frey says he testified before the grand jury, which after two years recently completed its 800-page report, about the abuse he endured from the age of 13 to around age 16 at the hands of defrocked priest Guy Marsico, who was assigned to St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Rohrerstown, Lancaster County, where Frey attended Catholic school.

Frey "believes he and others have a right to see the more than 800-page report," said a news release from Kline & Specter, PC, which represented Frey in his July 6 filing urging the supreme court to unseal the report.

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Attorney Tom Kline

"Mr. Frey is one of many victims whose voice must be heard in opposition to those who seek to keep this grand jury report secret," said attorney Tom Kline, who is representing Frey along with partners David Inscho and Charles Becker. "We hope that the court will act quickly to release the entire report."

Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro is actively fighting for the report's release, currently preparing "an objection to a continued stay" of the report's release. Nine news organizations including Philadelphia Media Network (which owns the Inquirer and Daily News) and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette have also submitted filings seeking the report's release. Some 26 anonymous individuals, reported to be a group of former priests, asked the court to keep the report sealed, claiming they had a constitutional right to challenge parts of the report in court. (It is unknown if Marsico, who was defrocked not long after Frey came forward and now reportedly works as a realtor in Central Pennsylvania, is part of the group opposing the

Todd Frey, above right, seen in a 1982 photo at age 13 with former priest Guy Marsico, who Frey says sexually abused him. Marsico was never criminally charged. Frey wants a new grand jury report on abuse in the church released.
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report's release.)

At this point, none of Pennsylvania's archdioceses oppose the release of the report. It does not involve the Philadelphia or Altoona-Johnstown archdioceses, which were the subjects of previous grand jury investigations, but investigated sex-abuse allegations at the state's six other archdioceses.

"Victims of this sexual abuse deserve the right to tell their stories to the people of Pennsylvania. That is why my legal team and I have worked tirelessly to have each diocese agree to give victims the opportunity to be heard," AG Shapiro said in a previous statement on the report. "We are hopeful the Court will expeditiously decide these issues and lift the stay. The people of Pennsylvania have a right to see the report, know who is attempting to block its release and why, and to hear the voices of the victims of sexual abuse within the Church."

In his court filing, Frey quoted Pope Francis' statement on the ongoing scandal during the 2015 World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, "I continue to be ashamed that persons charged with the tender care of those little ones abused them and caused them grave harm. I deeply regret this. God weeps. The crimes and sins of sexual abuse of minors may no longer be kept secret."

Todd Frey testified for a grand jury report about sexual abuse he endured from a Catholic clergy member in 1982. COURTESY OF KLINE & SPECTER PC

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Belgium, France square off in World Cup semis

Belgium is looking to make the World Cup Final for the first time ever but traditional power France stands in its way.

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Belgium will meet France in World Cup play for the third time ever. This time though, it's for a place in the 2018 FIFA World Cup Final on Sunday in Moscow. GETTY IMAGES

The first of two all-European semifinals at the 2018 FIFA World Cup kicks off this morning as Belgium's "golden generation" meets France for a spot in the largest soccer match on the planet.

This is one step further than both sides took at the previous World Cup in 2014. In Brazil, Belgium lost to Lionel Messi and Argentina in the quarterfinals while France bowed out to Germany at the same stage.

In what is considered to be the best team Belgium has ever fielded with premier talents like Eden Hazard, Kevin De Bruyne and Romelo Lukaku, the Red Devils are playing in their second-ever semifinal at a World Cup. The first came in 1986 when they lost to eventual champions Argentina.

Belgium has already beaten some notable world powers during its journey to the last four. A 2-1 win over Brazil in the quarterfinals was almost pedestrian compared to the thrilling 3-2 victory over Japan in the Round of 16 when it came back from two goals down in the second half. A 1-0 victory over fellow semifinalists England secured Group G for the Belgians.

The Red Devils are paced by the attacking brilliance of Eden Hazard, who spearheads Belgium's attack thanks to his ability to create space out of nothing and hold possession better than almost any player in the world.

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While he has two goals at this year's tournament, his and De Bruyne's distribution abilities have put Lukaku in the conversation for the World Cup's Golden Boot. The striker is tied for second with four goals behind England's Harry Kane.

Some of the credit for Lukaku's efficiency in front of goal in Russia could be attributed to assistant coach Thierry Henry, who was one of the most prolific strikers in the world during his time on the pitch from 1994-2012.

But the 40-year-old coach will have split allegiances today as he applied his trade as a player with his home nation of France. Henry is the country's all-time leading goal scorer with 51 tallies while helping his home nation lift the 1998 World Cup and make another final in 2006.

"He is a huge player and a great gentleman of French football," France goalkeeper Hugo Lloris said on Monday. "It is a bit peculiar to see him with the Belgium team but that is his career and that is how he is learning his future career. I think his heart will be split tomorrow because, before anything, he remains French."

France has only that 1998 title in its World Cup trophy case. Since then, it's been a rocky and inconsistent ride for Les Bleus. In the previous four tournaments, France crashed out of the group stage in 2002 and 2010 before heartbreak in the 2006 final against Italy and 2014 quarterfinals.

But Didier Deschamps' fresh, new-look side has provided a resurgence in French soccer as this squad is the youngest remaining group in the tournament with an average age of 26.

The poster child for the youth movement has been 19-year-old striker Kylian Mbappe, who had a coming out party of sorts against Argentina after recording two goals and setting up a third by drawing a penalty in a 4-3 victory.

Both he and Antoine Griezmann have three goals in Russia, providing 75-percent of France's goals this tournament. Benjamin Pavard and Raphael Varane are the only other Frenchmen with goals at the World Cup this year.

That victory over Messi and company was the first legitimate sign that France could be a real threat at the World Cup. Les Bleus looked less than convincing in the Group Stage with narrow, one-goal victories over Australia and Peru before a goalless draw against Denmark.

Now it faces a Belgium side for a third time at the World Cup. If history suggests anything though, France is in good shape as it came away with wins in the 1938 group stage and 1986 in the third-place game.

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CAUSING A RUCKUS AT THE MOVIES

Movies are expensive. Let's get that out of the way first and foremost. That's not the point of my Grumble today. However, it might be the motivation behind it. When MoviePass rolled out, I immediately signed up to save a few bucks on my addiction to seeing lousy bloated action movies. But, each time I go to see a movie these days — without fail — there is some sort of distraction within the theater that totally pulls me out of the movie. Either someone checking their phone with their brightness all the way up or making extremely loud chit-chat with whoever they are sitting with. National chains like Alamo Drafthouse have a strict no-cellphones and no-talking rules where they will kick out guests after a few warnings. So why can't bigger chains like AMC and Loews adopt these kinds of rules? If not, people who create distractions during movies should be prepared for vigilante justice in the form of popcorn being flung at them from across the theater.

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Every time I buy a bagel – whether from a street vendor or actual deli – they give a dusting of butter! It's like a hologram. Is there a butter conspiracy we don't know about? Yet, when I buy a cream cheese bagel, there's enough cream cheese to grout my entire bathroom! Less cream cheese, more butter please.

- **Alison Forde**, *Metro New York reader*

PEOPLE WHO EAT FOOD AT THE THEATER

While watching a Broadway show ("Hello, Dolly!"), I tried to overlook the person sitting next to me texting (including using the speech-to-text feature on her phone) and loudly singing but eating crunchy breadsticks? That's a bit much. Who brings bread sticks to the theater?

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Aries Physical and mental challenges will motivate you to step up and take a leadership position. Your ability to outmaneuver rivals and your undying stamina will be hard to beat.

Taurus Don't feel you must make a snap decision just because someone else does. Dig deep and find out exactly what's entailed before you make a commitment. Better to be safe than sorry.

Gemini An emotional incident can ruin your day. Try to be patient with loved ones who depend on you for assistance. Delegate jobs if you are running out of time.

Cancer Get out and do things that inspire you to get going with a creative project. Someone you encounter will make an impression that will affect the way you move forward.

Leo Do your best to pitch in and help. The difference you make will influence the way others treat you. A partnership will spark your interest. Don't bite off more than you can chew.

Virgo Size up a situation that could cause a work-related problem for you and make some adjustments. Your insight will ward off a setback. Personal improvements will help.

Libra Spread a little joy to lift your spirits. Taking short trips, visiting old friends or learning something new will encourage personal growth.

Scorpio Keep things moving forward by not taking on too much or letting things overwhelm you. You are best off taking care of what's necessary and giving yourself time to rejuvenate.

Sagittarius Don't let your storytelling get you into a fix with someone you include in your version of events. A physical challenge should be handled with caution.

Capricorn If you want something, you must be willing to do the work yourself. The satisfaction you get digging in and accomplishing what you set out to do will boost your confidence.

Aquarius Don't give in to someone putting pressure on you. Set the record straight by making it clear what you will and won't do. Counter with something practical.

Pisces Check your emotions at the door when getting together with relatives or peers who don't always share your opinions. Listen, but don't feel obliged to share your point of view. EUGENIA LAST

"No Passport Required" debuts on PBS at 9 p.m. tonight. CHRISTINE CARREIRA

Marcus Samuelsson talks Anthony Bourdain and diversity in the kitchen

"Food and culture have always been what's brought people together."

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Immigrants are necessary to the culinary world, especially in the U.S. Just ask James Beard award winner, acclaimed author and fan-favorite "Chopped" judge Marcus Samuelsson, an Ethiopian-born, Swedish-raised chef and restaurateur who's been making his mark on America's food scene for decades.

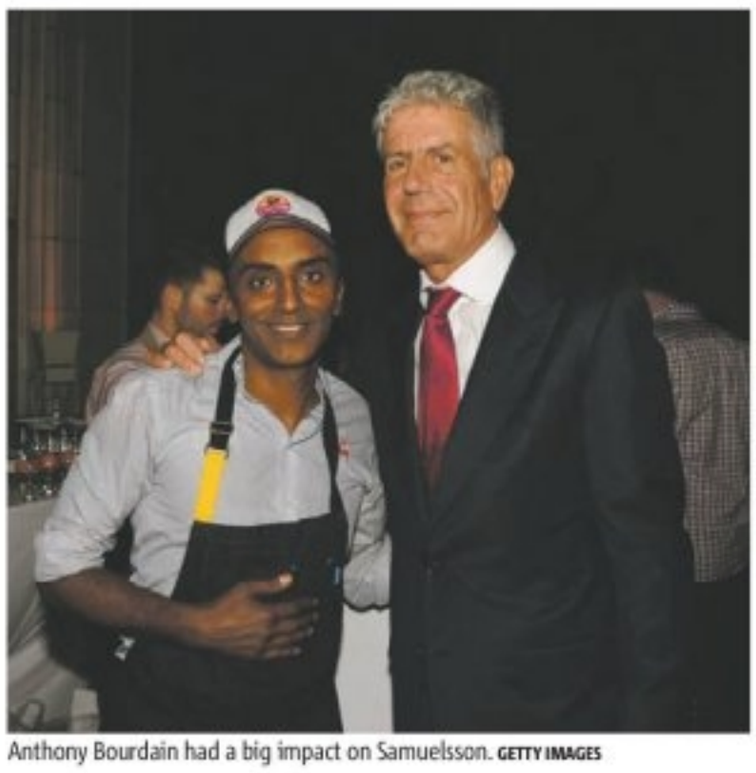
Samuelsson hopes to celebrate the power of diversity and the impact immigrants have in the kitchen with his new series "No Passport Required," which debuts tonight on PBS. We caught up with Samuelsson to chat about the show, his friendship with Anthony Bourdain and more.

Do you believe food can break down barriers between people?

Food and culture have always been what's brought people together. If you want to learn about a culture, the easiest way is to set a table and have somebody from that culture cook for you. Next to that you have music, then you have literature and then you have, of course, art. Where would we be without the contribution of diversity and immigrants? It wouldn't be the America that we know and it definitely wouldn't be the America that I'm so passionately excited about. Learning other cultures through food has always been a way that America has evolved and learned how to go to the next phase, the better version of ourselves. It's definitely the more delicious version of ourselves.

Are you worried that the political climate will negatively impact the culinary world?

Being worried, there's nothing wrong with [it], because it forces you to think within what can people like myself, someone like Padma [Lakshmi] for example, someone like Martha Stewart do? We work within in the food culture and we discuss this constantly. We're highly passionate about it. For me, my work, I go deeper. Even with this show, this is an opportunity to think about, as an immigrant, feeling pushed. You kind of have to manage your emotion and then figure out what content can I be part of that brings people together in a new way that you maybe didn't see this culture or community before? Part of this is miseducation and misunderstanding. The only way to get around that is to educate in a different way and connect in another way.



Anthony Bourdain had a big impact on Samuelsson. GETTY IMAGES

The beauty about America, it's a hard-fought battle where people go back and forth to create a better version. It may not look like it right now, but out of this, something else is going to come. Maybe this moment is that moment in time where conscious is going to shift and more learning and understanding on a spiritual level, on a connected level, can come out of it. That's certainly what I hope and that's what I'm investing my time in.

How much of an influence did Anthony Bourdain have on your approach to your series?

Tony has been hugely influential to me for over 20 years. "Kitchen Confidential" probably paved the way for "Yes, Chef," my memoir. There was no such thing as a chef's memoir before, at least not in my field, before "Kitchen Confidential."

Tony influenced me deeply by working and being around him many, many times, whether we were having a drink at a bar in New York or traveling to Ethiopia together. Tony was an amazing storyteller, be he was also an amazing listener. That's what I learned from him.

Some of my happiest moments with Tony is being deep in the Village of my wife, where he's just drinking coffee with butter or watching over someone chopping up innards and he can't wait to get his hands and eat on that. Just not being afraid to be somewhere else is something I learned from Tony.

We talked about his show a lot as we were doing it. He gave me advice. Not just from a professional standpoint, but as a friend, he's deeply missed. I thank him for everything he did for the culture and for our industry and connecting people. He was deeply interested in connecting people from different stories.

As a big soccer fan, what are your World Cup predictions?

Watch out for Belgium. It's a small country, but they can play. They can really, really play.

Micro-weddings: The freedom of choosing how to get married

Say bye-bye to lavish weddings and hello to intimate ones.

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> *"Couples in general want to find places that tell them a story, places where they can build a narrative and credible experiences."*
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> Julián Posada, wedding planner

In life, everything costs: being born, dying and even getting married. In fact, to live happily ever after in the U.S., on average, people invest more than $32,000, according to TheKnot.com, which researched 13,000 events nationwide.

The wedding-planning business represented, in 2016 alone, $72 trillion in profits, according to a report from consultancy IBISWorld. The dress, cake, DJ, photographer, food, hair, makeup, decoration — a universe exquisitely planned for the likes of those tying the knot. And prices go accordingly, not counting the immense stress that exists when planning an event for others to enjoy.

But now, lots of people are saying: enough. Not only because people fewer people are getting married—younger generations are choosing to postpone their wedding to live together as a couple—but people have less money, especially with a generation more committed and focused on the experience. In fact, IBISWorld shows that revenues for wedding planners will fall by 2021. But there is also opportunity for niche businesses and adaptations like "micro-weddings": small and personalized ceremonies. In the sharing-economy era, DIY weddings focus on experiences like getting married in a forest or doing your own catering. On Pinterest you can find ideas and inspiration and ideas for everything, from invitations to renting a dress. Decorations can be bought on Etsy, and if you feel like getting married like Darth Vader, it's just a click away. Weddings, after all, accommodate the taste of its brides and grooms.

"There are all kinds of factors, although weddings with lots of guests still prevail, I would say that there are two types of situations: the couple who decides to do an intimate and small wedding, and those who after doing

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a small ceremony still want a party with lots of people. For this to happen, factors such as budgets or the desire to invest the cost of the wedding in a more 'experiential' honeymoon, or people that just don't want to get involved in a party and what it implies, or simply because they do not like the formalism that an event like a wedding implies, because however relaxed it is, it still has certain protocols," explains wedding planner Julián Posada.

He adds that "small" is a relative term. "We should define what we mean by small. For example, there are weddings for 20 people, in which only family members, godparents and intimate friends attend. There are also weddings for 80 or 100 people, if the families and friends are a little more numerous, today protocols do not necessarily dictate the size of a celebration; rather, they are dictated by the character of the couple and their lifestyle, from there they select the venue, the ambience, food, music and the decoration."

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However, Posada indicates there is a tendency to make things less traditional and closer to nature. Beaches and outdoor landscapes have displaced the chapel and the courthouse, because the intention is to make of the event something memorable, especially for those who are getting hitched. Forests, farms and greenery are what's trending.

"Today there is a huge desire to get married in the outdoors and for the wedding to be more bohemian — at least for the couples who are working with me — people are tending to strip the event of excesses of formality and come closer to real life," he emphasizes. "Couples in general want to find places that tell them a story, places where they can build a narrative and credible experiences."

Whether you go big or decide on something more intimate, everything today is valid. The important thing is not to throw a party so others can eat and criticize, but for everyone to be able to enjoy the moment and create a great memory.

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Can't-miss summer concerts in Philly

Summer evenings are best spent rockin' out. JENNIFER LOGUE

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No matter what kind of music you're into, there are a ton of artists touring through Philly this summer. From huge concert experiences at venues like Lincoln Financial Field (Taylor Swift has a huge fan base!) to slightly more intimate affairs in the great expanse of Fairmount Park at The Mann (The earthy setting is perfect for a Jason Mraz show, right?), this is a small sampling of the concerts you should have on your radar for summer 2018 — not including major music festivals.

Shania Twain

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Shania Twain is back to touring and comes to the Wells Fargo Center for a fun-filled night of pop-country gems like "Man! I Feel Like a Woman," "That Don't Impress Me Much" and "From This Moment On." The Canadian singer has sold over 100 million albums worldwide, making her the best-selling female artist in country music.

Shania Twain comes to the Wells Fargo Center on July 12. GETTY IMAGES

The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill 20th Anniversary Tour

Friday, July 13
6:30 p.m.
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Gavin DeGraw and Phillip Phillips

Tuesday, Aug. 28, 7 p.m.
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If you're a fan of singer-songwriters, seeing Gavin DeGraw and Phillip Phillips perform at Parx Casino's Xcite Center is a must. DeGraw, who has sold over one million copies of his album "Chariot" alone, is known for hits like "I Don't Want to Be," "Chariot" and "Follow Through." Phillip Phillips burst onto the scene in spring 2012 with his five-times platinum debut single, "Home."

Ms. Lauryn Hill will be in Philly celebrating the 20th anniversary of her iconic album, "The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill." GETTY IMAGES

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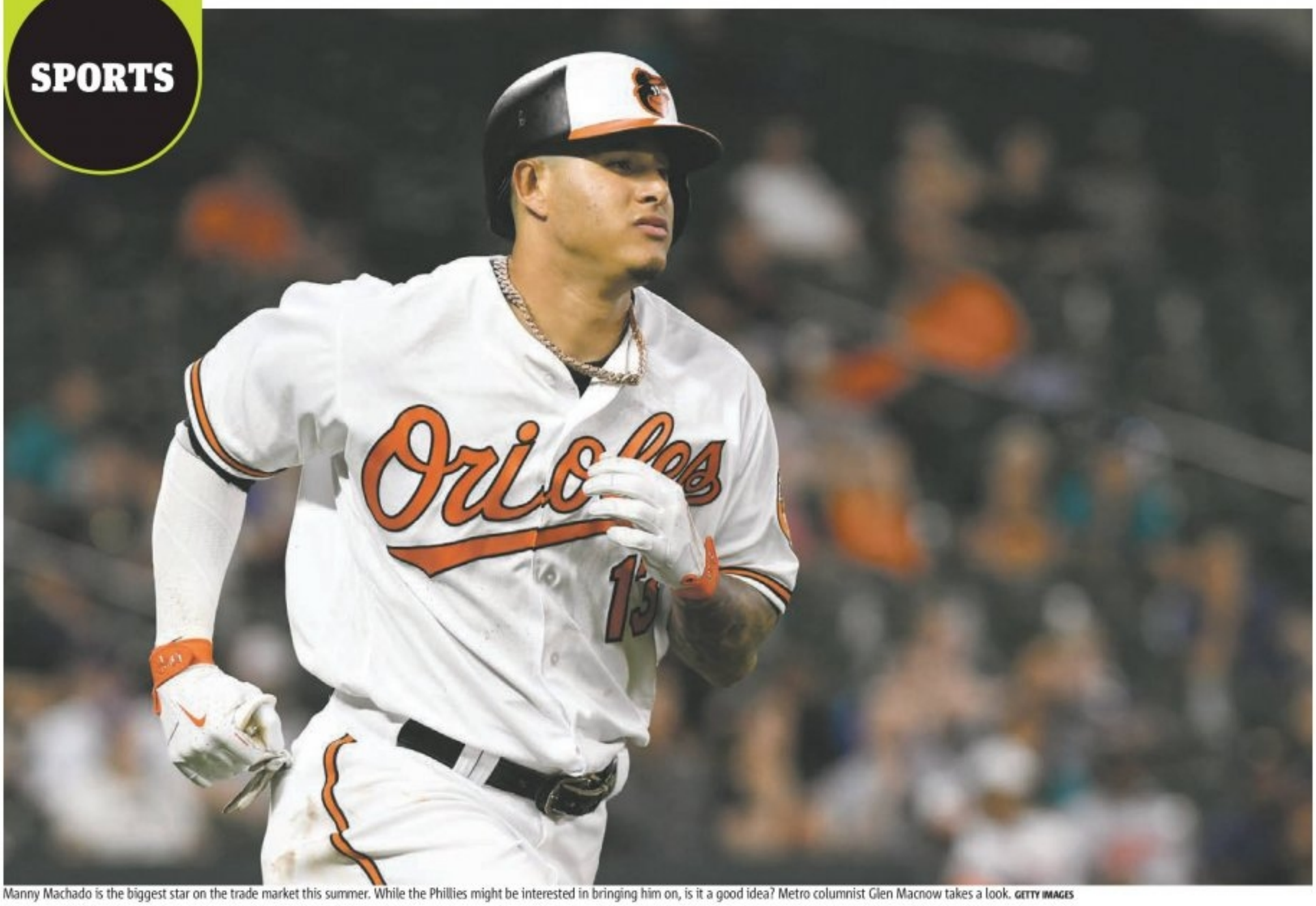

Manny Machado is the biggest star on the trade market this summer. While the Phillies might be interested in bringing him on, is it a good idea? Metro columnist Glen Macnow takes a look. GETTY IMAGES

WHAT IF TRADING FOR MANNY MACHADO IS A BAD IDEA?

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On its face, the idea of adding Manny Machado to the Philadelphia Phillies makes eminent sense.

Here is a 26-year-old superstar who would fit perfectly in the middle of the batting order. Machado seems to be exactly the talent infusion to push this surprising franchise not just into October – but perhaps deep into the playoffs.

But what if the obviously brilliant idea is not so brilliant?

There is a virtual certainty Machado gets dealt this month, and the Phillies had been among a half-dozen teams lining up to allow the Orioles to poach the best of their prospects. Last week, Phillies fans made their feelings known by chanting, "We want Manny," when the O's and their all-star shortstop passed through Citizens Bank Park for a two-game set.

Reports on Monday say Machado could be traded during the All-star break, most likely to the Los Angeles Dodgers or Milwaukee Brewers. The Phils, by most accounts, have cooled their pursuit.

And I'm okay with that. Because as much as adding "The Baby Faced Assassin" seems a quick ticket to the postseason, there are long-term implications that could have us cursing the deal by Thanksgiving. Here's why:

First, Machado is your classic two-month rental – with no guaranteed option to buy. He becomes a free agent at the end of 2018, and has emphatically repeated he wants to explore free agency before committing to any team.

It's a pipe dream to believe that he's going to take up a locker at Citizens Bank now and become so enthralled with the ballpark, the fans and the town that he'll give up his right to find a franchise willing to pay him $400 million for the next decade.

Could that team become the Phils? Sure. But recent history shows that putting him in red pinstripes for 60 games presents no real advantage for the long term.

My bigger concern actually is this: Machado has made it clear to all that he plans to play shortstop wherever he winds up. And while he is now enjoying the best offensive season of his career (with a .310/.380/.557 slash line), his defense at shortstop appears to be horrible – as in, "What-would-happen-if-you-tried-Juan-Samuel-or-Lonnie-Smith-at-short" horrible.

Baseball's defensive numbers are tough to quantify and most aren't official. The best work is probably done by FanGraphs, an independent stat-collecting agency that uses several metrics to rank defensive performance.

Consider this: According to FanGraphs, Machado ranks 25th and last among all shortstops who've played at least 250 innings this season in both zone rating (he's at negative-15.6) and runs saved (negative-19). His glove and arm don't appear to be the problem (just eight errors so far), but Machado appears to have all the fielding mobility at shortstop of a file cabinet.

Now, I can't tell you I've seen enough from youngsters J.P Crawford or Scott Kingery to be certain either is the long-term answer at SS. But unless Machado can be persuaded to return to third base, I'd worry about manning the game's most important position for the next decade with a guy seemingly wearing concrete cleats – no matter how brilliantly Gabe Kapler employs the shift.

Would inserting Machado in the batting order right between Rhys Hoskins and Carlos Santana make things fun this season? Sure they would.

But would giving up the top prospects in the organization for a short-term jolt carrying long-term defensive questions make sense? Not here, it wouldn't.

Smith and Korkmaz shining

Two young Sixers have proven their worth in Vegas.

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The 2018 MGM Resorts NBA Summer League began on Friday with all 30 NBA teams set to play in multiple games over the course of 12 days. The summer league is always fun to watch each year as it gives many rookies, second-year players, and undrafted players a chance to stake their claim in the NBA.

In terms of the Philadelphia 76ers, who began summer league play on Friday against the Boston Celtics, they have two players on their roster that are already showing flashes of things to come this upcoming season.

One of those players, who got started on the right track is second-year guard Furkan Korkmaz.

Korkmaz was drafted with the 26th overall pick in the 2016 NBA Draft, but opted to stay another year overseas with Anadolu Efes.

The lanky 6-foot-7 guard out of Turkey came over to the United States last summer and made his debut in the Utah Summer League. However, he struggled in both the Utah and Las Vegas summer leagues trying to find his footing in the NBA.

Fast forward a year later and Korkmaz looked supremely better against the Boston Celtics in the Sixers' first game. The Turkish guard came out firing on all cylinders, looking comfortable on the floor and shooting with confidence.

Korkmaz lit up the Boston Celtics to the tune of 40 points on 8-of-14 shooting from three-point range and 10-of-18 from the field.

He put on a shooting clinic in his 2018 summer league debut and showed what happens when you get a season of NBA and G-League experience under your belt.

However, in his encore performance over the weekend against the Los Angeles Lakers, Korkmaz struggled. He only scored four points and did not make a single three-point shot in his several attempts.

While he won't be expected to score 40 points a game next season, the Sixers should hope that Korkmaz can fill in the role left by Marco Belinelli, who signed with the San Antonio Spurs in the free agency.

If Korkmaz can give the Sixers between 8-10 points per game that would help their bench a ton.

Even though Korkmaz struggled against the Lakers, Sixers' 2018 first-round pick Zhaire Smith excelled and showed off a caveat of skills in the process.

Smith stuffed the box score against Los Angeles, putting together a solid stat line of 16 points, three assists, three steals, and two rebounds. He did a little bit of everything for a Sixers team that could not do anything on offense.

Unlike his debut against Boston, Smith looked much more comfortable and played aggressively. He took a good number of shots (13), was active on defense, and had a couple of flashy no-look passes.

Heading into next season, do not expect Smith to have a big role on the team, especially since his offensive game is still raw.

However, he will be leaned on for his defensive prowess and can earn minutes that way, which will go far in his development as an NBA player.

Zhaire Smith has looked strong for the Sixers in the NBA Summer League. GETTY IMAGES

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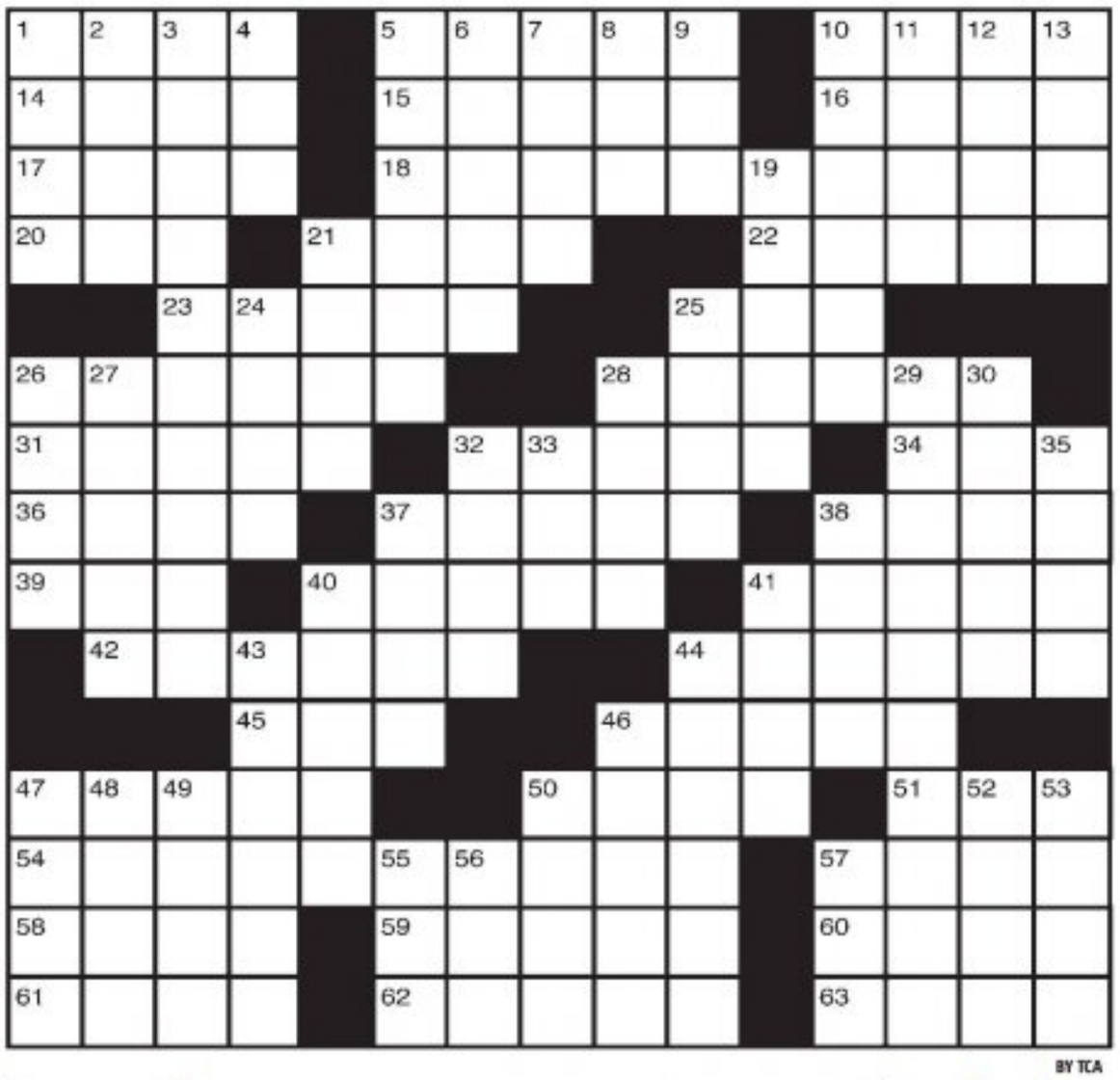

ACROSS

1 In a __; moody
5 Three months ago
10 Use a dagger
14 "The __ Ranger"
15 Male bee
16 Test __; lab bottle
17 A single time
18 Defenseless
20 Luau dish
21 Grape bearer
22 Actor Buddy
23 Clamor
25 Chum
26 Polite person's word
28 Cowboy competitions
31 Vital artery
32 Yes-man
34 Compete
36 "__ the night before Christmas..."
37 Hauls
38 __ kick out of; enjoy
39 __ up; arrange
40 Male duck
41 Shows boldness
42 Regain money lost
44 Persnickety
45 Floor covering
46 __ the finger at; accuse
47 Scour
50 Brown seaweed
51 Cool __ cucumber
54 Stretchiness
57 Store away
58 Mom's sister
59 Dutch flower
60 Listen
61 "Why don't we!"
62 Blemishes
63 Notice

DOWN

1 Swine supper
2 Forbidden item
3 Burn up
4 Ball holder
5 Give counsel to
6 Dried fruit
7 Movie part
8 Hotel
9 Actor Brandon
10 Horse's home
11 Bathroom features
12 Qualified
13 Has-__; one no longer popular
19 All prepared
21 Passport stamp
24 Cereal grains
25 Okra and snap peas
26 Taps gently
27 Bring closer to the ground
28 Extreme anger
29 Exaggerates
30 Locations
32 Pitfall
33 Large tree
35 Simple
37 Medication
38 Put on weight
40 Uncertainty
41 Faucet problem
43 Pie bottoms
44 Unwanted nasal growths
46 __ four; iced pastry
47 Marine mammal
48 Classic board game
49 Carry on
50 Metric weight, for short
52 Ivory or Dial
53 Askew
55 "__ a long way to Tipperary..."
56 Piece of china
57 Feminine pronoun

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